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For : METHOD OF DETECTING AND LOCATING TRACES OF  
BLOOD AND A COMPOUND FOR DETECTING TRACES OF  
BLOOD

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby bring the following information to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application, which includes information cited and discussed in the specification and the International Search Report issued in connection with International Patent Application No. PCT/FR03/01299, of which the present application is the U.S. National Stage Application. Copies of the International Search Report (in English and French) were enclosed with the papers when entering the National Stage on October 6, 2004. The Examiner is invited to review these materials to inspect the relevance indicated during international examination with respect to the documents cited

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therein. The following is a list of the documents cited in the above-noted documents:

E.H. WHITE et al., "Luminol Chemiluminescence", Chemi- and Bioluminescence, ed. by J.G. BURR, Marcel Dekker, Inc., New York, 1985, pp. 215-244. Applicants note that this document is cited in the specification of the present application, including pages 1 and 2;

W. SPECHT et al., "The Chemiluminescence of Hemin: An Aid for Finding and Recognizing Blood Stains Important for Forensic Purposes", Angewandte Chemie, Vol. 15, 1937, pp. 155-157. Applicants note that this document is cited in the specification of the present application, including pages 2, 3, and 4;

F. PROESCHER et al., "Detection of Blood by Means of Chemiluminescence", Journal of Laboratory Clinical Medicine, Vol. 24, 1939, pp. 1183-1189. Applicants note that this document is cited in the specification of the present application, including pages 2 and 3;

M. GRODSKY et al., "Simplified Preliminary Blood Testing. An Improved Technique and a Comparative Study of Methods", Journal of the American Institute of Criminal Law and Criminology, Vol. 42, 1951, pp. 95-104. Applicants note that this document is cited in the specification of the present application, including pages 3 and 14;

K. WEBER, "Die Anwendung der Chemilumineszenz des Luminols in der gerichtlichen Medizin und Toxikologie", I. Der Nachweis von Blutspuren, Deutsche Zeitschrift für die gesamte Gerichtliche Medizin, Vol. 57, 1966, pp. 410-

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423. Applicants note that this document is cited in the specification of the present application, including pages 4, 5, and 15;

R.R.J. GRISPINO, "The Effect of Luminol on the Serological Analysis of Dried Human Bloodstains", Crime Laboratory Digest, Vol. 17, No. 1, 1990, pp. 13-23. Applicants note that this document is cited in the specification of the present application, including pages 4, 11, and 14;

U.S. Patent No. 5,770,116. Applicants note that this document is cited in the specification of the present application, including pages 5 and 14; and

U.S. Patent No. 5,833,887. Applicants note that this document is cited in the specification of the present application, including pages 5 and 14.

Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Except for U.S. Patents, Copies of the above-noted documents are enclosed together with a duly completed Form PTO-1449. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider each of these documents, and to make them of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the Form PTO-1449. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material. However, if an Office Action on the

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merits has issued and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p) to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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